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**Administrative Director Declares Illinois Associate Judge
Appointed in the Eighteenth Judicial Circuit**

Cynthia Y. Cobbs, Director of the Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts, announced today that the Eighteenth Judicial Circuit judges voted to select Karen M. Wilson as an associate judge of the Eighteenth Judicial Circuit.

Ms. Wilson received her undergraduate degree in 1987 from the University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wisconsin, and her Juris Doctor in 1991 from DePaul University, Chicago, Illinois. Ms. Wilson is currently affiliated with the law firm Smith, Rickert & Smith in Downers Grove, Illinois.